

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a blatant act of disregard of the covenant to use public airwaves responsibly. The rules and tenets that are in place to protect the spirit and essence of the constitutional rights of the people of the USA are being blatantly flaunted by the special interests of Corporate entities that are under the umbrella of those very rules. If this system has failed...the American people have become victims of a Special Interest Coup. Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. Fines are not an effective deterrent to groups that have garnered so much wealth (in the guise of public service) but denial of licencing as a result of these actions that demonstrate blatant disregard would be. The license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.